

Doctor of Laws, honoris causa, April 11th, 1983.

Mr. Treasurer~~~

May I present to you and this Convocation The Honourable Mr. Justice Wilson David Griffiths and request that you confer upon him the degree of Doctor of Laws.

Having served as an officer in his country's armed services during the Second World War, he returned to civilian life and pursued his academic studies which culminated in his being called to the Bar of Ontario in 1951 and being awarded Gold Key in recognition of his scholastic and extra-curricular attainments.

Entering upon a successful and varied career in civil litigation, he applied his considerable intellectual capabilities not only in the service of those who were his clients but in the service of his profession.

From the inception of the Bar Admission Course in 1959 until his appointment to The Supreme Court of Ontario in 1975 he imparted his knowledge of the practical application of civil procedure and the law to students, first as a lecturer and then as head of the Civil Procedure Section of the Bar Admission Course. In addition, he made an outstanding contribution to the development of continuing legal education in this Province as a lecturer, panelist and chairman of numerous programmes.

He made further significant contributions to the profession as a Bencher of the Law Society and to the work of many professional organizations. His outstanding leadership in community affairs and the discharge of his duties as a judge of The Supreme Court of Ontario crown with distinction a career which exemplifies the highest ideal of service to the profession and to the community.

For these reasons, Mr. Treasurer, I request you to exercise the authority vested in you by Convocation and admit The Honourable Wilson David Griffiths to the degree of Doctor of Laws, honoris causa.

Wilson David Griffiths